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RELATES TO PRELIMINARY PLANNING IN CONNECTION WITH POSSIBLE REACTIVATION
OF ENIWETOK PROVING GROUND PD A MEETING WAS HELD AT THE OFFICE OF
HOLMES AND NARVER ON SEPT 21 CMM WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF LASL CMM
LRL AND SANDIA CORP CMM FC/DASA AND OFO PD

IN ORDER TO CONSTRUCT A REASONABLE APPROACH TO TIME AND COST
ESTIMATES CMM THE FOL ASSUMPTIONS WERE DEVELOPED CLN
A. LASL - READY TO AIR DROP TWO DEVICES WITHIN 60 DAYS PD
B. LRL - READY TO TEST TWO DEVICES ON BARGES WITHIN 90 DAYS PD
INITIAL ASSESSMENT BY HOLMES AND NARVER INDICATES THAT WE CAN CMM
BY RE-OPENING PARRY ISLAND CMM SUPPORT THE LASL PROGRAM IN SIXTY
DAYS PD PARA PD AN AIR DROP CMM QUICK AND DIRTY CMM "USING SUITABLE
DEVICE OR DEVICES" WITH THE OPERATION STAGED FROM HICKAM OR JOHNSTON
IS BELIEVED FEASIBLE ON SHORT NOTICE CMM POSSIBLY TEN TO TWENTY
DAYS PD

OFFICE OF FIELD OPERATION ASSESSMENT OF CAPABILITY FOR TWO LRL
BARGE SHOTS IN THE ENIWETOK LAGOON IS ESTIMATED AT FIVE MONTHS PD
PRELIMINARY REPORT TO INCLUDE TIME AND COSTS SHOULD BE AVAIL AT MEETING
ON SEPT 28 PD PARA PD THE ABOVE SCHEDULES INVOLVE INHERENT QUESTION
OF MANAGEMENT AND STAFF SUPPORT PD

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TWO AREAS ARE OF IMMEDIATE CONCERN CLN

A. IF A QUICK AND DIRTY DROP IS DEMANDED CMM THE TASK COMMAND SHOULD BE VESTED IN AN AIR FORCE COMMANDER OF SUITABLE RANK WHO COULD STAFF HIS ORG AT THE KIRTLAND LOCATION AND LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS WOULD BE RELATED ONLY TO MILITARY STAGING AREAS PD LIAISON ONLY WITH OFO WOULD BE NECESSARY PD

B. IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT PARRY SHOULD BE RE-OPENED AND OPERATIONS CONDUCTED FROM ENIWETOK MM THEN MAXIMUM DOD LOGISTICAL SUPPORT IS NECESSARY UPON REQ OF OFO PD THIS POSSIBILITY REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE DESIGNATION OF A DOD LOGISTICAL SUPPORT COORDINATOR WITH WHOM OFO MAY COMMUNICATE IMMEDIATELY PD

IN THE EVENT CMM DETERMINATION MUST BE MADE AT THE EARLIEST DATE WHETHER EPG OPERATION SHOULD BE CONDUCTED UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF AN AEC TEST MGR CMM SUPPORTED BY A DEPUTY FROM THE DOD OF SUITABLE /FLAG/ RANK OR WHETHER REACTIVATION OF A JOINT TASK FORCE IS APPROPRIATE PD PARA PD UPON COMPLETION OF HARDTACK CMM PHASE I CMM IT WAS THE RECOMMENDATION THAT FUTURE EPG OPERATIONS BE CONDUCTED UNDER AEC TEST MANAGEMENT PD HOWEVER CMM UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS CMM I RECOMMEND THE ACTIVATION OF A JOINT TASK FORCE UNDER A SENIOR MILITARY COMMANDER PD MY OWN PREFERENCE AND RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE MAJOR GENERAL C M MCCORKLE CMM PRESENT COMMANDER AFSWC AT KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE FOR EITHER CASE END REF TO JAS 3699

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